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ASBURY PARK CONFERENCE

PROGRAM

GENERAL SESSIONS

First Session, Monday, June 23, 8 p. m.

(President Bishop presiding.)

Greetings on behalf of New Jersey librarians—M. Taylor Pyne, chairman New Jersey Public Library Commission.

Address—Speaker to be announced.

President's address: The American Library Association at the crossroads—William Warner Bishop, librarian University of Michigan.

Informal reception following adjournment, in the ball room of the New Monterey Hotel.

Second Session, Tuesday, June 24,

9:30 a. m.

(President Bishop presiding.)

Business: Second final vote on amendment to Constitution, Sect. 12 (see Saratoga Springs Conference Proceedings, p. 281).

How the army libraries have helped our fighting men—The Honorable Frederick P. Keppel, Third Assistant Secretary of War.

The Library War Service: Report of the War Service Committee—J. I. Wyer, Jr., chairman.

Reports of officers and committees, standing and special.

Many of these reports will be in print and presumably will have been read by members present. There will be opportunity for discussion.

Third Session, Tuesday, June 24, 8 p. m.

(Carl H. Milam presiding.)

The Library War Service:

Six months at headquarters and in the field: a few impressions—Theresa Hitchler, Brooklyn Public Library.

Organizing hospital libraries in France — Mary Frances Isom, librarian Portland (Ore.) Library Association; in service overseas November to May.

Further glimpses of our service overseas; some photographs just received from France and the Rhine country (stereopticon)—Asa Don Dickinson.

Overseas experience — Mary Eileen Ahern, editor *Public Libraries*; Orlando C. Davis, librarian Waltham (Mass.) Public Library.

The service: A statement from the general director—Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress.

**Fourth Session, Wednesday, June 25,
9:30 a. m.**

(President Bishop presiding.)

What books and library service have meant to the Navy—The Honorable Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy.

Libraries and reading as an aid to morale —Brigadier General E. L. Munson, General Staff, Chief Morale Branch.

Our war service and some things it has taught—Chalmers Hadley, librarian Denver Public Library (recently field representative of the Library War Service).

**Fifth Session, Thursday, June 26,
9:30 a. m.**

(Vice-President Belden presiding.)

Survey of actual conditions in American libraries:

Our library resources as shown by some government needs in the war—Andrew Keogh, librarian Yale University. Some present-day aspects of the library training problems—C. C. Williamson, New York Public Library.

Actual salaries of librarians and assistants and standards; summary of report of the Committee on Salaries—Everett R. Perry, librarian Los Angeles Public Library.

A library survey; preliminary report of the Committee of Five on Library Service—Arthur E. Bostwick, librarian, St. Louis Public Library.

Discussion.

Sixth Session, Friday, June 27, 9:30 a. m.
(President Bishop presiding.)

The future of library work in America:

The library's task in reconstruction—Paul M. Paine, librarian Syracuse Public Library.

School libraries of the next decade—Jesse B. Davis, principal Central High School, Grand Rapids, Michigan, and late head of junior employment service, U. S. Department of Labor.

Reaching all classes of the community —John H. Leete, director Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh.

Memorial resolutions for William Howard Brett and Samuel Swett Green.

Reports of the Committee on Resolutions.

Reports of the tellers of election.

Unfinished business.

Induction of the incoming president.

Adjournment *sine die*.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE—ASBURY PARK CONFERENCE

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
MONDAY June 23		5:30 Executive Board (3)	8:00 First General Session (1) 10:00 Reception (2)
TUESDAY June 24	9:30 Second General Session (1)	2:30 Council (open meeting) (1) Am. Assn. Law Lib. (5) School Libraries Section (2) Camp Lib. Rd. Table (4) Special Lib. Assn. (3)	8:00 Third General Session (1)
WEDNESDAY June 25	9:30 Fourth General Session (Photograph at close of session)	2:30 League of Lib. Com. (1) Am. Assn. Law Lib. (5) Profess. Train. Sec. (2) Special Lib. Assn. (4) Normal Sch. Lib. Rd. Table (3)	8:00 Trustees Sec. (2) Catalog Sec. (1) Am. Assn. of Law Lib., Nat. Assn. State Lib. —Joint session (5) Camp Lib. Rd. Table (4) Hosp. Lib. Rd. Table (3)
THURSDAY June 26	9:30 Fifth General Session	2:30 Council (open meeting) (1) Agric. Lib. Sec. (2) Am. Assn. Law Lib. (5) High Sch. Lib. Rd. Table (3) Train. Class Teach. Rd. Tb. (4) Hospital Lib. Rd. Table (Asbury Park Pub. Lib.)	8:00 College and Ref. Sec. (2) Children's Lib. Sec. (1) Nat. Assn. State Lib. (5) Special Lib. Assn. (3)
FRIDAY June 27	9:30 Sixth General Session Council (after adjournment general session)	2:30 League of Lib. Com. (2) Pub. Doc. Rd. Table (5) Libraries of Relig. and Theol. Rd. Table (4) Lending Dept. Rd. Table (1) Hospital Lib. Rd. Table (3)	6:00 Lib. Sch. Dinners. 8:30 Children's Lib. Sect. (2) Nat. Assn. State Lib. (5) Camp Lib. Rd. Table (4)

Figures in parentheses refer to meeting halls as indicated in the following key:

1. Auditorium.

2. Ball Room, New Monterey.

3. Palm Room, New Monterey.

4. Lounge, New Monterey.

5. Parlor, Columbia.

COUNCIL

There will be two meetings of the Council at Asbury Park, both open to all members of the Association.

The first session on Tuesday afternoon, June 24, will be entirely devoted to discussion of the advisability of attempting to raise a permanent endowment for peace time work of the Association. Further particulars of this meeting are printed elsewhere in this issue.

The second session will be held on Thursday afternoon, June 26. The program will include (1) a discussion of the Educational Bill which will be introduced into the next Congress, particularly those features which affect libraries and library work; (2) plans for an international bibliography of humanistic studies, discussion opened by Prof. F. J. Teggart, of the University of California and secretary of the International Bibliographical Congress; (3) a statement by Miss Edith Guerrier regarding plans for "National library service."

Five new members will be elected to the Council by the Council at this session.

There will be in addition a brief meeting of the Council following adjournment of the last general session on Friday morning, June 27, if there is business to be brought before that body.

AGRICULTURAL LIBRARIES SECTION
Thursday Afternoon, June 26

The work of the California county libraries in agricultural extension—Milton J. Ferguson, librarian California State Library. Bibliographical opportunities in horticulture—Marjorie F. Warner, bibliographical assistant, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

A union check list of agricultural periodicals—Charles R. Green, librarian Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Discussion led by Henry O. Severance, librarian University of Missouri.

Agricultural lantern slides and motion pictures.

Reports of committees.

Election of officers.

CATALOG SECTION
Wednesday Evening, June 25

The general matter for consideration will be the report of the A. L. A. Committee on Library Administration.

Discussion led by Dr. George F. Bowerman, chairman, librarian Public Library of the District of Columbia, Washington, D. C.

CHILDREN'S LIBRARIANS SECTION
First Session, Thursday Evening, June 26

The immigrants' contribution to American culture—Charles Pergler, Czecho-Slovak Commissioner to the United States.

The true Americanization of the foreign child—Herbert A. Miller, secretary of the Mid-European Union, formerly professor of sociology, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

Second Session, Friday Evening, June 27
 Problems in the production of books for children, with special references to some wider needs—Franklin S. Hoyt, editorial supervisor, Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, Mass.

COLLEGE AND REFERENCE SECTION
Thursday Evening, June 26

The binding and arrangement of the British Blue Book—William Teal, superintendent of delivery, The John Crerar Library, Chicago.

The collection of war books and the arrangement of other war material, especially pamphlets and posters; a discussion, introduced by H. H. B. Meyer; H. M. Lydenberg; Charles J. Barr; Joseph D. Ibbotson; A. J. Wall.

Report of A. L. A. Committee on Importations—Dr. M. Llewellyn Raney, librarian The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SECTION
Wednesday Afternoon, June 25

Advanced library training for research workers—Andrew Keogh, librarian Yale University.

New plans for the training of apprentices—Julia A. Hopkins, principal training class, Brooklyn Public Library.

Training teacher-librarians in normal schools—Mary E. Robbins, instructor in library science, Rhode Island Normal School.

Training librarians for high school libraries—Sarah C. N. Bogle, principal Carnegie Library School, Pittsburgh.

Training librarians for business libraries or branches—Frank K. Walter, vice-director New York State Library School.

Clerical course for library assistants—Bertha R. Barden, supervisor apprentice class, Cleveland Public Library.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES SECTION

Tuesday Afternoon, June 34

The high school library and tomorrow's needs: Book selection:

Standardization of book selection in high school libraries—Earl R. Glenn, Lincoln School, Teachers College, New York City.

Science—Edith Erskine, librarian Carter Harrison High School Branch, Public Library, Chicago.

Industrial arts—Edith L. Cook, librarian East Technical High School Branch, Cleveland Public Library.

Domestic science—(speaker to be announced).

TRUSTEES SECTION

Wednesday Evening, June 25

The program for this section has not been completed.

CAMP LIBRARIANS ROUND TABLE

Tuesday Afternoon, Wednesday Evening and Friday Evening, June 24, 25, 27

Informal round tables for discussion of problems relating to both large and small camp libraries. Miss Theresa Hitchler will preside.

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIANS ROUND TABLE

Thursday Afternoon, June 26

Informal discussion of problems peculiar to high school libraries. (Program not completed, and suggestions requested by Helen S. Babcock, chairman, librarian Austin High School Branch, Chicago Public Library.)

HOSPITAL LIBRARIANS ROUND TABLE

Wednesday Evening, Thursday Afternoon and Friday Afternoon, June 25, 26, 27

Informal round tables. Miss Caroline F. Webster in charge. It is hoped that Miss Mary Frances Isom, who has recently returned from hospital library work in France, will be present at these meetings and conduct one of them.

LENDING DEPARTMENT ROUND TABLE

Friday Afternoon, June 27

Paper by Josephine A. Rathbone, vice-director School of Library Science, Pratt Institute.

The training of assistants for lending department work—Mrs. Jessie S. McNiece, St. Louis Public Library.

Labor saving in the lending department; (and) Forms for the small libraries—Ada J. McCarthy, librarian library supplies department, Democrat Printing Company.

ROUND TABLE OF THE LIBRARIES OF RELIGION AND THEOLOGY

Friday Afternoon, June 27

A brief annotated list of books of outstanding importance on the history of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A.—Dr. George D. Brown, General Theological Seminary, New York City.

The library of a missionary periodical—Maud I. Stull, *World Outlook*, New York City.

The relative strength of mission collections in some theological and allied libraries—Dr. Frank G. Lewis, Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pa.

Some administrative problems in a theological library—Glenn B. Ewell, Rochester Theological Seminary, Rochester, N. Y.

Discussion.

NORMAL SCHOOL LIBRARIANS ROUND TABLE

Wednesday Afternoon, June 25

The topics for discussion at the round table have not been chosen.

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS ROUND TABLE

Friday Afternoon, June 27

Paper by H. H. B. Meyer, chief bibliographer, Library of Congress.

Popularizing government documents — Edith Guerrier, chief of National Library Service, Bureau of Education.

Recent tendencies in state publications—Dena M. Kingsley, division of documents, Library of Congress.

TRAINING CLASS TEACHERS ROUND TABLE

Thursday Afternoon, June 26

The subjects for consideration have not been determined. (Chairman, Lucy L. Morgan, Detroit Public Library.)

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE LIBRARIES

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday Evenings, June 25-27

The programs for the various sessions of the National Association of State Libraries have not been completed. The first session, on Wednesday evening, will be held jointly with the American Association of Law Libraries.

LEAGUE OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONS

First Session, Wednesday Afternoon, June 25

The commission and the library:

A look ahead for the small library—Dr. C. C. Williamson, chief division of economics, New York Public Library. Discussion.

How the commission works in the small public library—Margaret A. Wade, assistant organizer, Indiana Public Library Commission.

The commission and the high school or rural school library—Elizabeth B. Wales, secretary Missouri Library Commission.

Second Session, Friday Afternoon, June 27
Necessary league policies for new problems:

What can the league do for its members?—Mrs. Minnie Clarke Budlong, secretary North Dakota State Library Commission.

What can the league do for states which need organized commissions?—Mary E. Downey, library secretary and organizer, Department of Public Instruction, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Place of the commission in child welfare work—Elva L. Bascom, in charge of library co-operation, Children's Bureau, Washington, D. C.

Business meeting and election of officers.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

First Session, Tuesday Afternoon, June 24

Address by the president—Guy E. Marion, director of record section, Community Motion Picture Bureau, New York City.

Report of secretary-treasurer—Caroline E. Williams, librarian experimental station laboratory, E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, Wilmington, Del.

Report of editor of *Special Libraries*—J. H. Friedel, librarian National Industrial Conference Board, Boston, Mass.

Report of executive board (by the vice-president)—Edward H. Redstone, librarian Massachusetts State Library, Boston, Mass.

Reports of committees.

New business.

Appointment of Nominating Committee.

Adjournment to formal program.

Papers, Group A—Representing general interests of all specialists:

(Title of first paper to be supplied)—John Cotton Dana, librarian Free Public Library, Newark, N. J.

Documentation in the field of rehabilitation of the disabled—Douglas McMurtree, Red Cross Institute for Cripples, New York City.

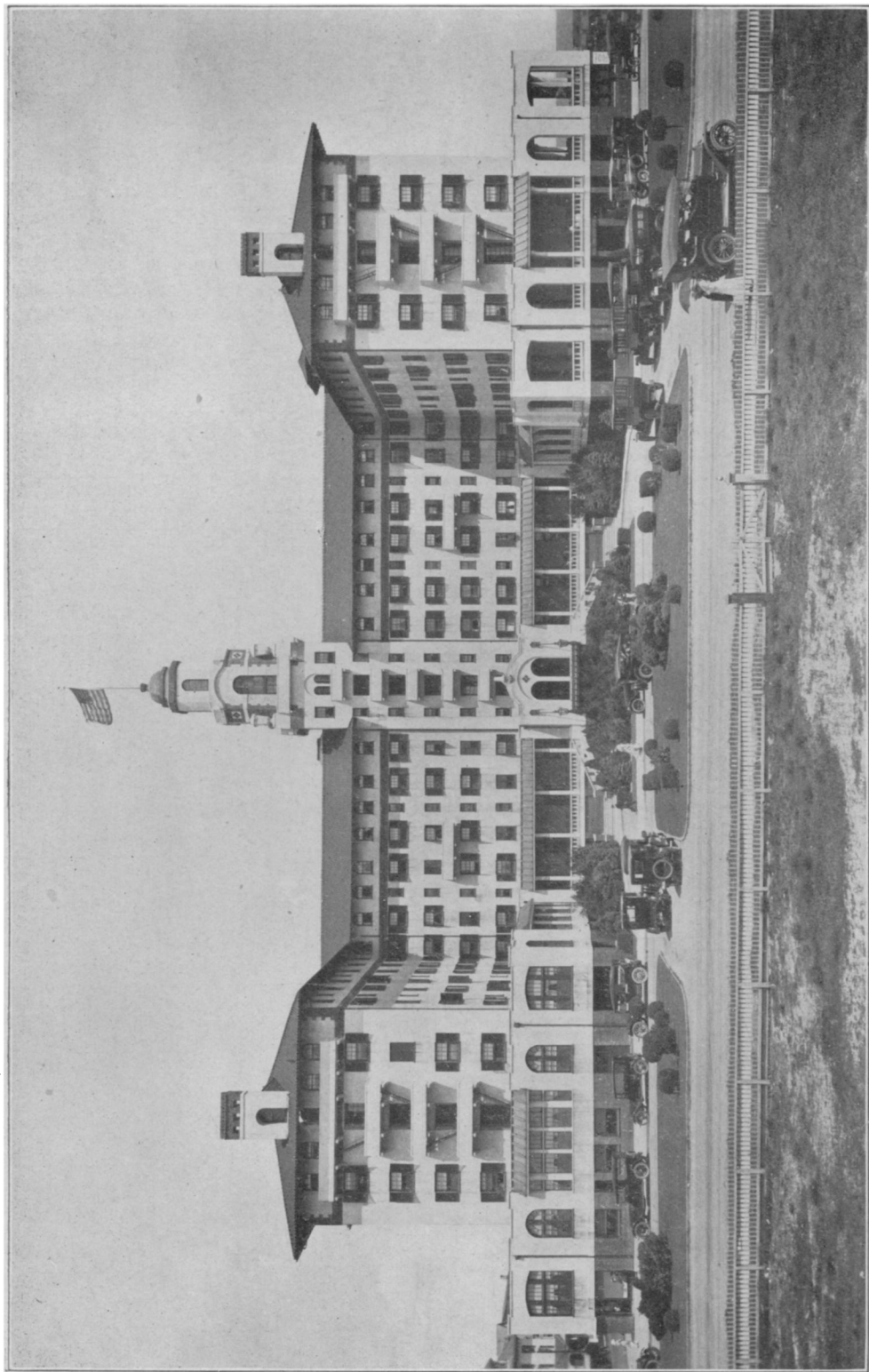
Library and statistical work with the Prudential—F. S. Crum, assistant statistician of Prudential Insurance Company, Newark, N. J.

Discussion.

Second Session, Wednesday Afternoon, June 25

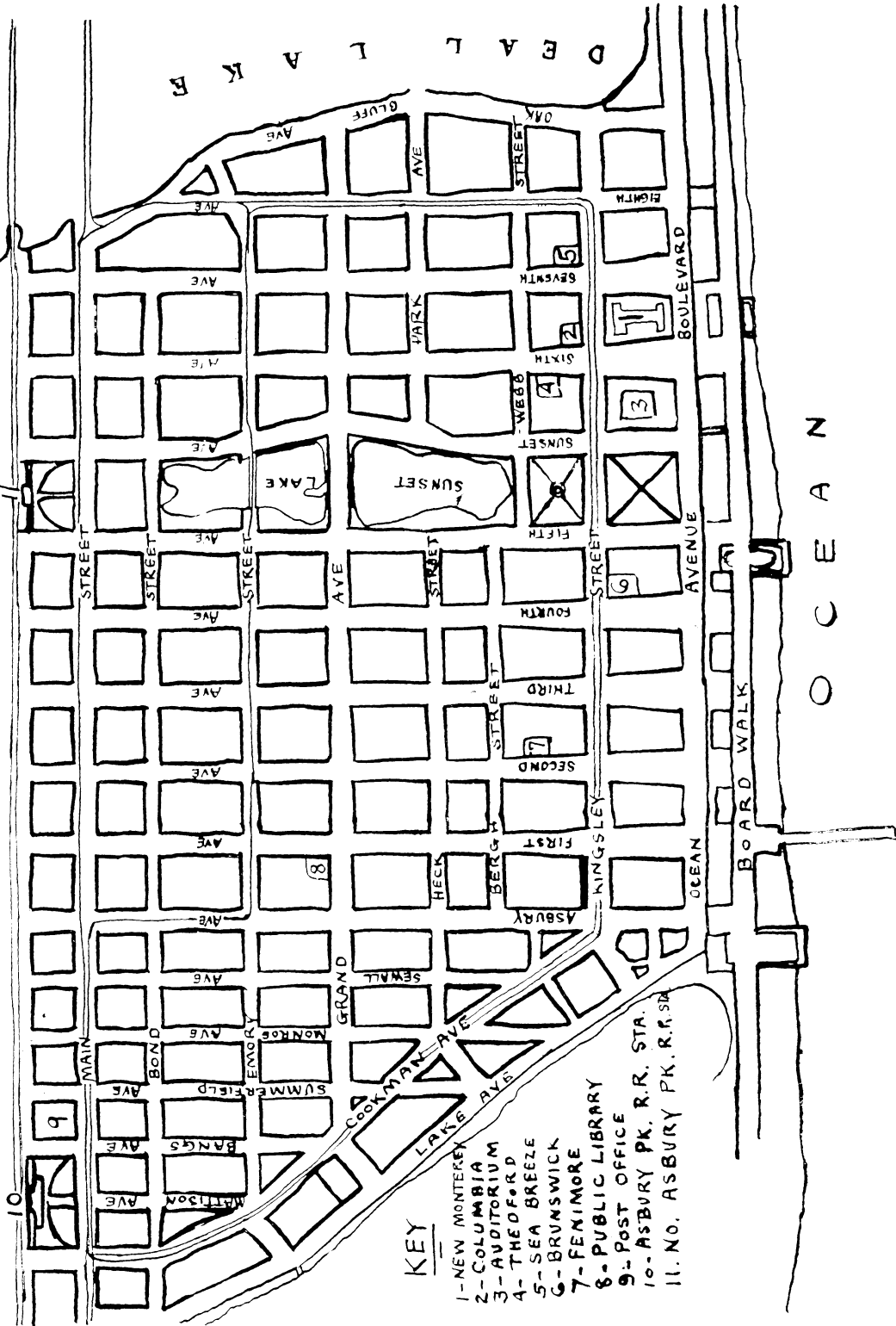
Papers, Group B—Representing engineering and technical libraries:

Special librarians, not special libraries—Edward D. Tweedell, assistant libra-



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rian, The John Crerar Library, Chicago.

A technology department as a business investment—D. Ashley Hooker, technology librarian, Public Library, Detroit, Mich.

Aids to magazine routing systems—Edith Phail, librarian Scovill Manufacturing Company, Waterbury, Conn.

Papers, Group C—Representing commercial and financial libraries:

How the special library can help build industry—F. M. Faiker, editorial director, McGraw-Hill Company, Inc., New York City.

Some whys and hows of our library, and a few don'ts—Leon I. Thomas, editor of *Factory*, Chicago.

The literature of foreign trade—Dr. E. E. Pratt, president of E. E. Pratt and Company, Inc., New York City, former chief of U. S. Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

(Title of financial paper to be supplied.)

Third Session, Thursday Evening, June 26

Papers, Group D—Representing municipal and civic libraries:

Good government and better citizenship via the civic library—Dorsey W. Hyde, librarian Municipal Reference Library, New York City.

The library and the League of Municipalities—Homer Talbot, executive secretary, New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Papers, Group E—Representing welfare and industrial libraries:

Humanitarianism in industry (illustrated with slides)—Gertrude Beeks Easley, director welfare department, National Civic Federation, New York City.

Americanization by indirection (illustrated with motion pictures)—Leslie Willis Sprague, industrial service division, Community Motion Picture Bureau, New York City.

Fourth Session, Friday Morning, June 27

Unfinished business.

Election of officers.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

Tuesday Afternoon, June 24

Pennsylvania side reports—Luther E. Hewitt, librarian Law Association of Philadelphia.

Law library binding in war time—Dr. G. E. Wire, deputy librarian, Worcester County Law Library.

Wednesday Afternoon, June 25

Shelf classification of foreign law books—

F. B. Crossley, librarian Elbert H. Gary Law Library; F. O. Poole, librarian, Association of the Bar, New York City; Elsie L. Basset, Columbia University Law Library, New York City.

Wednesday Evening, June 25

Shelf arrangement of law reports; a discussion.

(The meeting on Wednesday evening will be a joint session with the National Association of State Libraries.)

Thursday Afternoon, June 26

Revisions and compilations of the laws of New York—John T. Fitzpatrick, law librarian, New York State Library.

Other subjects on which there will be opportunity for discussion are: Law library architecture; Inter-library loans between law libraries; Guide cards for law library catalogs; Indexes to legal periodicals.

ASBURY PARK CONFERENCE

HOTELS

The fine and commodious *New Monterey Hotel*, where we had our headquarters in 1916, will again be our headquarters. The management is able to offer exceptionally favorable rates, because we come at what would otherwise be a dull week, filling in a period between a convention just before ours and the Fourth of July. We will have practically the exclusive use of the New Monterey as well as the other hotels used as overflow.

HOTEL RATES

(Rates quoted include both room and meals in all cases)

New Monterey. Two in double room, with double bed, \$4.00 each daily; two in double room with twin beds, \$4.50 each daily; four persons occupying two double connecting rooms with bath, \$5.50 each daily; two occupying a double room with double bed and private bath, \$5.50 each daily; two persons in a double room with twin beds and private bath, \$6.00 each daily. The New Monterey can comfortably care for about 500, assuming there will be about the usual amount of "doubling up."

Hotel Columbia. (Capacity about 300.) Just across the street from the New Monterey; the most convenient and most comfortable hotel for those who are unable to obtain accommodations at the New Monterey. Two in room, on fourth floor, and in Harvey Cottages adjoining Hotel, \$3.00 each daily; two in room on first, second and third floors, if facing court, \$3.50 each daily, if facing street, \$4.00 each daily; four persons in two double connecting rooms with bath, \$4.50 each daily; two persons in double room with bath, \$5.00 each daily; one in room, \$4.00 and up, depending on location and whether with or without bath.

Thedford. (Capacity about 150.) Across the street from Columbia, consequently only a few steps from New Monterey, \$3.00 to \$3.50 each daily, room without

bath, according to location; \$4.00 to \$5.00 each daily, room with bath, according to location. A few single rooms.

Seabreeze. (Capacity about 100.) Diagonally opposite New Monterey. Two in room, without bath \$3.00 each daily; one in room, \$3.50 daily.

There are other hotels and boarding houses in the vicinity available if needed. Arrangements have been made with those here listed by special reason of their close proximity to the New Monterey.

HOW TO MAKE RESERVATIONS

Reservations for rooms in ALL hotels will be in charge of a representative of the American Library Association, who should be addressed, American Library Association Representative, Care Asbury Park Public Library, Asbury Park, New Jersey. Reservations of rooms will be begun on *May 21* and applications reaching the above address previous to that date will be considered as having been received on that day. We are pleased here to state that Miss Adeline J. Pratt, formerly assistant librarian of the Asbury Park Public Library, and consequently thoroughly conversant with all Asbury Park conditions has been fortunately secured as our A. L. A. representative for this work. In writing state definitely your desire as to hotel and maximum price you are willing to pay, your arrangements as to room-mate if you have made any, and whether you authorize the local representative to make assignment according to her best judgment if you are too late to obtain the particular space specified.

Arrangements can be made if desired for a library to engage one or more rooms to be occupied successively for portions of the week by members of the staff.

Be sure that letter is signed legibly; also that it states whether writer is a man or a woman.

All the hotels listed above have agreed to extend their Conference rates up to

July 3, for the benefit of those who wish to remain a few days after the adjournment of the meetings.

AMUSEMENTS AND ATTRACTIONS

There are no end of attractions at Asbury Park; the ocean, the Board Walk, the fine beaches, the auto drives, boating on Deal Lake, tennis, golf, and the wide spacious verandas of the New Monterey, to which all are welcome whether they are staying at the hotel or not.

There will be an informal reception on Monday evening in the ball room of the New Monterey, following adjournment of the first general session.

The hotel orchestra will play every evening from ten to twelve for informal dancing.

We have given the New Jersey librarians distinctly to understand that this time the A. L. A. has "invited itself" to Asbury Park and that therefore they are not to feel responsibility as local hosts and arrange for our entertainment as they did so lavishly three years ago.

MEETINGS

The general sessions will be held in the Auditorium just across the street from the New Monterey; meetings of sections, round tables, and affiliated associations in the parlors of the New Monterey and Columbia, except that some of the large section meetings will be held in the Auditorium.

EXHIBITS

A spacious room at the New Monterey has been assigned for commercial exhibits. For rates, space and information, applications should be made direct to the Manager, New Monterey Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J.

Space has also been reserved for American Library Association committees which may wish to present exhibits. Address the Secretary of the A. L. A., 78 E. Washington St., Chicago.

TRAVEL ANNOUNCEMENT

At the present date no notice has been given of any reduced excursion rates to Asbury Park, except from near-by points

such as New York City and Philadelphia. The flat rate of three cents a mile one way now applies from eastern, central and southern points. The war tax is 8 per cent on both railroad ticket and Pullman berth.

Special parties will be arranged from New England, and from Chicago, for those who find comfort and enjoyment by such method of travel. (See following section on travel arrangements for detailed information.)

Baggage should be checked to Asbury Park, but passengers will find North Asbury Park station nearer the hotels, and busses will meet trains there.

From New York City

As there are twelve trains a day from New York to Asbury Park and frequent boat service no arrangements will be made for a special party. Those who wish can arrange to join the Boston party. The following details are given for the benefit of those who wish to travel separately. All information is subject to change, however, and it should be verified at local offices.

The Sandy Hook boats leave at frequent intervals from the foot of West Forty-second street and the foot of Cedar street. Those who have not seen New York harbor are strongly recommended to take this trip. Vessels are continually returning from Europe with troops, the harbor is busy and well worth seeing. The Sandy Hook boats are scheduled to leave West Forty-second street at 8:50, 9:55, 12:40, 3:50, 4:55 and 7:50, and Cedar street twenty minutes later, going direct to Atlantic Highlands, where a change is made to a train for Asbury Park. The time required is about two hours. The fare is approximately the same as the railroad fare given below. The hours of leaving as given are subject to change, to conform with later timetables.

Trains leave at frequent intervals from Pennsylvania Station and Hudson Terminal Building for Asbury Park, the Pennsylvania and the Central Railroad of New Jersey operating the trains jointly. At

present about twelve trains a day are scheduled but the definite schedule for June has not yet been announced. The round trip fare to Asbury Park and back from the Hudson Terminal is \$2.92, from Pennsylvania Station \$3.16. The one way fare from Hudson Terminal Building is \$1.62, from the Pennsylvania Station \$1.75. About two hours is required for the trip.

Mr. C. H. Brown, of the Travel Committee, 26 Brevoort place, Brooklyn, will be glad to answer any inquiries or give any further information.

New England Party

It is to be noted that those desiring to join this party should make reservation with Mr. F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis street, Back Bay, Boston, not later than June 16.

A personally conducted party for Asbury Park will leave Boston, Sunday, June 22, at 5 p. m., from India Wharf, on the Eastern Steamship Company's Cape Cod Canal line. This will make a delightful inland water trip, with a view of the Cape Cod Canal by daylight between 8 and 9 p. m. Evening meal (*à la carte*) and breakfast (special club) may be had on the steamer at individual expense. Boat is due to arrive in New York between 8 and 8:30 a. m. Monday, June 23, at Pier 18, foot of Murray street. Party will then transfer about five blocks south to the Sandy Hook boat, leaving Pier 10, foot of Cedar street, at about 9:10 a. m. Arrangements will be made for transfer of hand baggage between the two piers. The Sandy Hook boat furnishes a pleasant sail of about one hour along the Jersey shore to Atlantic Highlands, where train for North Asbury Park is taken. Party will be due at Asbury Park about 11 a. m. (The times given are subject to change, as later timetables will be issued.)

Those desiring to join this party will send money for ticket and stateroom (price includes two in each stateroom, if whole stateroom is wanted add \$1.35) to F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis street, Back Bay, Boston, if possible before June 7, but not later than June 16, as staterooms cannot be held at this time of year. All staterooms will

be outside and on the starboard, giving view of shore all the way.

Price of ticket, including war tax, Boston to Asbury Park, and half stateroom on Boston steamer, \$8.75. If a trunk or bag is to be checked through, add 75 cents for transfer in New York City.

Chicago Party

Arrangements have been made with the Pennsylvania railroad to provide special Pullman sleepers between Chicago and Asbury Park.

Train will leave the Union Station Sunday morning, June 22, at 10:20 o'clock, arriving in Asbury Park at 4:22 the following afternoon.

Members in the vicinity of Chicago and the middle west who expect to attend the conference are urged to join the special party out of Chicago.

Railroad and Pullman Fares

The present regular one way fare Chicago to Asbury Park is \$29.32, including war tax. A round trip rate of \$56.22, including war tax, is in effect, making a slight saving over double one way fare. Lower berth rate is \$4.86 and upper berth \$3.89, including war tax.

Meals will be served in dining cars, *à la carte* service.

Check baggage through to Asbury Park, giving hotel and room number to facilitate delivery.

A deposit of \$5.00 is required to secure reservation in special cars. Reservation should be made not later than June 16, earlier if possible. Address communications concerning railroad rates and schedules to John F. Phelan, Chicago Public Library.

GENERAL RAILROAD INFORMATION

Information concerning travel to Asbury Park will be given on request by the Travel Committee:

New England:	F. W. Faxon, 83 Francis St., Back Bay, Boston.
North Atlantic States:	C. H. Brown, 26 Brevoort Place, Brooklyn.
Central States and West:	J. F. Phelan, Chicago Public Library, Chicago.

RAILROAD RATES TO ASBURY PARK

Below are given the one-way through railroad fares on standard lines, as at present in force, war tax of eight per cent included.

Boston (via boat to New York).....	\$ 7.27
(all rail)	9.17
New York (from Pennsylvania station)	1.75
(Round trip \$3.16)	
(from Hudson Terminal)	1.62
(Round Trip \$2.92)	
(via Sandy Hook steamer)	1.62
(Round trip \$2.92)	
Philadelphia	2.62
Washington	7.03
Chicago	29.32
Cincinnati	24.15
Cleveland	16.98

Denver	63.04
Detroit	20.90
Kansas City	42.04
Omaha	44.44
St. Louis	33.42
St. Paul and Minneapolis	41.01

Travel Information at the Conference

Some member of the Travel Committee will be at A. L. A. Headquarters daily, to give information regarding tickets, routes and possible stop-overs returning.

Post-Conference Trip Omitted

There will be no special post-conference trip this year. It is suggested that all who find it possible to do so stay on after the conference for a few days of rest and recreation. The hotels will continue their special reduced rates until July 3 for all who stay.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

A Peace Time Program: The approaching close of another conference year and consequently the time for another annual statement by the secretary finds the Association facing a peculiar and unparalleled situation. Two years ago in conference at Louisville, we were asking: What can libraries do to help win the war? Can libraries readjust their lines of work and find a place of usefulness in this national emergency? How are we going to find the funds to do the work if there is work for us as librarians to do?

These questions have been answered in the Library War Service which the librarians of the United States have, through their national organization and under its name, been conducting for the past twenty months. Libraries did readjust their work; they did find a task peculiar to their own fitness; and they did find the necessary funds to the undreamed-of amount of practically five millions of dollars, by showing the public they had a

piece of work to do that justified the expenditure and then by asking the American people for the money.

Soon the war work of the Association will be a thing of the past. It has been the most far-reaching work the Association has ever done and its influence and effect should be the most far-reaching experience in the history of the Association or of libraries from their beginning to the present time. How are we going to use this remarkable experience? Are we going to write up its history and then return to our before-the-war status unmindful that the world has changed and that the war has left new problems and brought new opportunities? Or are we going to rise to the emergencies of peace as well as, or better than, we rose to the emergencies of war? And what are these emergencies and opportunities? And can we find the necessary funds to "carry on"—and if so, how, and where? These are the most important questions before the